

SAN DIEGO

Jewish Community COVID-19 Emergency Fund

Making a Difference in Our Community

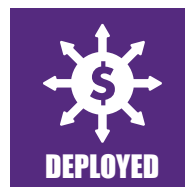
JULY 2020



300+



\$2.2 million



\$1.6 million

GIVING TOGETHER TO REMAIN STRONG

**Providing support to those struggling to get back on their feet and who remain isolated.
Ensuring a safe reopening for our treasured Jewish community organizations.**

Fund News: Jewish Family Service Grant

With the current economic crisis mounting, individuals and families face diverse challenges from job loss and financial insecurity.

The Fund recently awarded a grant of \$417,673 to Jewish Family Service (JFS) to launch a Jewish-centered case management service, including funds for direct relief, to provide critically needed services to at least 200 individuals and families who are struggling as a result of COVID-19. This grant is to be spread out throughout the next year. Expanding JFS' capacity will enable it to serve Jews in need in our community throughout COVID-19 and beyond. Services provided will include:

- Access to food
- Financial assistance
- Transportation
- No-interest loans
- Rental abatement
- Retraining, interview, and job search help
- Mental health services, therapy, and support groups
- Domestic abuse services
- Connections with Jewish community leaders for additional counsel



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Grants and Loans provided to
Support San Diego Jewish
Community Organizations

Sarah's story:

Soon after the pandemic began, Sarah, a single mother of two, found her full-time job reduced to 20 hours per week. She could not cover her rent in May and sought support from the community. Through JFS, Sarah received financial assistance for rent. She also received food from JFS's Drive-Thru Food Distribution to defray the cost of groceries.

— Jewish Family Service

Responding to immediate needs, understanding emerging challenges, and planning for the future.

Phase I: Emergency Needs & Payroll Support

Community members face unprecedented choices between food, housing, medicine, and other essentials.

28 Organizations and synagogues received funding as they help hundreds of vulnerable individuals

and families access necessities, many seeking community help and support for the first time.



“Our community has been able to help 18 families access food during this exceptional time. Thank you for enabling us to connect with those who need us to reach out the most right now. These individuals are forever appreciative.”

— Chabad Chula Vista

8 Interest-free bridge loans awarded in March helped to keep staff employed and avoid crisis decisions.

Loans were distributed to:

Camp Mountain Chai
Congregation Adat Yeshurun
Hillel of San Diego
Hope Village (Chesed House)
Lawrence Family Jewish
Community Center

Soille San Diego Hebrew
Day School
Temple Adat Shalom
Torah High School

Key Lessons

The Fund learns from our community's experts serving on the frontlines to identify ways to support increasing needs:

- Continued food and housing insecurity
- Isolation and its psychological effects
- Employment assistance
- Organizations' capacity to pivot to new service delivery models, and more

Phase II: Safe Reopening

With preschool for children of essential workers, access to camps around the county, reenvisioned day school structure, and diverse programs for all ages, our community can continue to benefit from vibrant Jewish experiences and connections in safe environments that pivot as health policy evolves. The next deadline to apply for Safe Reopening funds is August 14th.

19 Grant Recipients

Chabad La Costa
Chabad Oceanside
Coastal Roots Farm
Congregation Beth Am
Congregation Beth Israel
Friends of the IDF
Jewish Collaborative of SD
Lawrence Family Jewish
Community Center
Ner Tamid Synagogue
San Diego Jewish Academy

SCY High
Seacrest Village Retirement
Communities
Soille San Diego Hebrew
Day School
Temple Adat Shalom
Temple Beth Shalom
Temple Emanu-El
Tifereth Israel
Temple Solel
Torah High School

“As parents begin to go back to work and our community seeks new kinds of in-person programming, it's critical that the JCC's phased reopening balance the highest standards of safety and quality. Protective equipment and new health and safety equipment allow us to adhere to best practice in keeping our community safe. Additionally, with the hard-hitting pandemic taking a huge economic toll on many families, we're proud to offer financial aid for preschool and camp to families who may need the help for the first time and grateful to Fund donors for making it possible.”

— Lawrence Family Jewish Community Center